

REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment applicant amends the International Application upon national phase entry under 35 USC, Section 371. The specification has been amended on page 4, in the first paragraph by the addition of sentence: *The term neoprene is deemed to include materials referred to as neoprene as a generic term or name as typically used in the manufacture of wetsuits.* Applicant avers that no new matter has been added to the original disclosure by this amendment. The original claims 1-11 of International Patent Application PCT/US2004/004486 are cancelled without prejudice; new claims 12-19 are being submitted by Preliminary Amendment.

Any questions or comments should be directed to the undersigned attorney of record.

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